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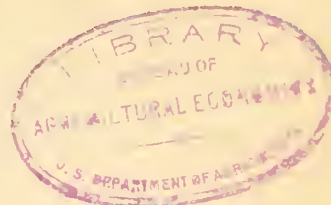
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THE BRITISH APPLE MARKET



Prices received for American apples on the Liverpool auction on Wednesday, February 29, 1928, show a marked improvement over those prevailing two weeks ago, according to quotations cabled the Bureau of Agricultural Economics by Mr. Edwin Smith, the Department's Fruit Specialist in Europe. Auction supplies of both barreled and boxed varieties were light but jobbers and retailers are still carrying considerable stocks of Pacific Northwest Winesaps. The new crop of apples from Australia and New Zealand will soon be available in British markets. Arrivals of approximately 21,700 boxes are expected from New Zealand on or around March 23. The first shipments from Australia are expected to arrive about April 7. Total arrivals from Australia and New Zealand by the middle of April are expected to be double those for the corresponding date last year.

There was an active demand during the auction sale on Wednesday for Virginia Albemarle Pippins and York Imperials. The Yorks ranged from \$9.25 to \$9.37 per barrel against \$8.03 to \$8.76 for U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch stock two weeks ago. The Yorks in general are showing a large amount of scald, badly scalded stock only bringing from \$3.65 to \$4.38 per barrel. U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch Pippins in good condition sold quickly at from \$9.73 to \$10.95 per barrel. Only light supplies of barreled varieties were available for the auction but much of the stock was in variable condition.

The demand for the light supplies of Oregon Yellow Newtowns available for the auction was brisk, the Extra Fancy grades of sizes 150/175 ranging from \$3.94 to \$4.14 per box against \$3.77 to \$3.83 per box two weeks ago. While there was only a moderate demand for Washington Winesaps, due largely to the fact that supplies in the hands of jobbers and retailers are heavy, they sold at from 35 cents to 40 cents per box above the prices realized two weeks ago, Extra Fancy grades of sizes 150/175, for example, ranging from \$3.04 to \$3.10 as against \$2.68 to \$2.74 two weeks ago.

Supplies of grapefruit are moderate and the market is showing strength, states Mr. Smith. Florida fruit sold at from \$6.81 to \$7.30 per crate, and Jamaican at from \$5.84 to \$6.33. The market for Spanish oranges is higher, fruit in good condition selling at from \$2.92 to \$3.41 per half-case of 110 pounds for 300's. Jaffa oranges are bringing from \$3.28 to \$3.53 per case of 80 pounds. The market for American apples in Germany is lower, states Mr. Smith.

Prices paid for American apples in Liverpool,
February 15 and 29, 1928

Variety and Grade	Origin	Price	
		February 15, 1928	February 29, 1928
		Per bbl	Per bbl
York Imperials:			
U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	Virginia	\$8.03 - 8.76	\$9.25 - 9.37
U. S. No. 1, 2 inch	"	<u>b/</u>	5.84 - 6.69
U. S. No. 1, 2 inch (badly scalded):	"	<u>b/</u>	3.65 - 4.38
U. S. Commercial, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	"	7.06 - 8.03	<u>b/</u>
Ben Davis:			
U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	"	4.87 - 6.20	5.84 - 6.09
U. S. Commercial, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	"	<u>b/</u>	5.47
Winesaps:			
U. S. Commercial, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch <u>c/</u>	"	7.06 - 7.54	<u>b/</u>
Unclassified	"	<u>b/</u>	7.30 - 8.03
Albemarle Pippins:			
U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	"	<u>b/</u>	9.73 - 10.95
U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch	"	9.49 - 9.73	<u>b/</u>
Unclassified <u>c/</u>	"	<u>b/</u>	6.57 - 9.25
Baldwins:			
U. S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch	New York	<u>b/</u>	6.20 - 7.30
Unclassified <u>c/</u>	"	<u>b/</u>	5.60 - 6.08
Baldwins	Ontario	8.27	8.27 - 8.39
Ben Davis	"	6.08	5.60 - 5.72
Starks	"	<u>b/</u>	6.08 - 6.45
		<u>Per box</u>	<u>Per box</u>
Winesaps:			
Extra Fancy, 150/163/175	Washington	2.68 - 2.74	3.04 - 3.10
Extra Fancy, 188/smaller	"	2.55	2.43 - 2.86
Fancy, 150/163/175	"	2.55	2.80 - 2.92
Fancy, 188/smaller	"	2.43 - 2.49	2.43 - 2.80
Yellow Newtowns:			
Extra Fancy, 150/163/175	Oregon	3.77 - 3.83	3.94 - 4.14
Extra Fancy, 188/smaller	"	<u>b/</u>	3.16 - 3.65
Fancy, 150/163/175	"	3.35 - 3.41	3.41 - 3.71
Fancy, 188/smaller	"	3.16 - 3.28	3.28 - 3.53
C Grade, 150/180	"	<u>b/</u>	3.16 - 3.28
C Grade, 188/smaller	"	<u>b/</u>	2.68 - 2.80

a/ February 22 auction not reported. b/ None quoted in cable. c/ Fair condition.

